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For: **METHOD FOR DETECTING ANTIBODY AND ANTIGEN FOR DETECTING BORNA DISEASE VIRUS**

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

The present paper responds to the Election of Species Requirement, dated July 31, 2006, issued in the above-identified U.S. patent application. The Examiner set a one-month period for reply. This reply is timely.

In response to the requirement that Applicants elect a single sequence from among SEQ ID NOs:5-8, recited in claim 22, Applicants hereby elect SEQ ID NO:8. Claims 17, 18, 22 and 23 are readable thereon.

Applicants traverse the instant rejection on the basis that it would not be a serious burden on Patent Office resources to search each of the sequences of SEQ ID NO:5-8.

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